

## OPINION 1641

### *Carcinochelis* Fieber, 1861 (Insecta, Heteroptera): *Carcinochelis alutaceus* Handlirsch, 1897 designated as the type species

#### Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers all prior fixations of type species for the nominal genus *Carcinochelis* Fieber, 1861 are hereby set aside and *Carcinochelis alutaceus* Handlirsch, 1897 is designated as the type species.

(2) The name *Carcinochelis* Fieber, 1861 (gender: masculine), type species by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above *Carcinochelis alutaceus* Handlirsch, 1897, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *alutaceus* Handlirsch, 1897, as published in the binomen *Carcinochelis alutaceus* (specific name of the type species of *Carcinochelis* Fieber, 1861), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

#### History of Case 2700

An application for the designation of *Carcinochelis alutaceus* Handlirsch, 1897 as the type species of *Carcinochelis* Fieber, 1861 was received from Drs R.C. Froeschner (U.S. National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.) and N.A. Kormilev (Gulfport, Florida, U.S.A.) on 29 December 1988. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 47: 30–31 (March 1990). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

It was noted on the voting paper that, by subsequently assigning 'alutaceus' Fieber (non descriptus) to *Carcinochelis* Fieber, 1861, Lethierry & Severin (1896) did not confer availability on the specific name (cf. para. 1 of the application), since there was no 'single combined description of a new nominal genus and a new nominal species' as required by Article 12b(6) of the Code. Subsequent authors (see, for example, Bergroth, 1917 and Hsiao, 1979) have attributed authorship of *alutaceus* to Handlirsch (1897), who provided a description of the species based on Fieber's specimen bearing the unpublished name.

#### Decision of the Commission

On 1 December 1990 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 47: 31. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 1991 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 23: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Hahn, Heppell, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Mroczkowski, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — 4: Halvorsen, Holthuis, Macpherson and Thompson.

Dupuis abstained because the application had been published for less than a year.

#### Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

*ahutaceus*, *Carcinochelis*, Handlirsch, 1897, *Amalen des Kaiserlich Königlichen Naturhistorischen Hofmuseums*, 12: 222.  
*Carcinochelis* Fieber, 1861, *Die europäischen Hemiptera Halbflügler (Rhynchota Heteroptera)*.  
Nach der analytischen Methode Bearbeitet, p. 34.